



**Know what's below.
Call before you dig.**



April is Annual Safe Digging Month

DeIDOT would like to remind everyone to always contact the Miss Utility of Delmarva before digging either by calling 811 or visiting <http://www.missutilitydelmarva.com/> to submit an internet request a few days prior to any digging project. It's the law!

When contractors, designers, or homeowners contact Miss Utility, they are connected to the local call center, which notifies the appropriate utility companies of the intent to dig. Utility locators or contract locators are then sent to the requested digging site to mark the locations of underground lines with flags or paint.

A utility line is damaged every six minutes nationwide because someone decided to dig without first calling 811. People are injured and die every year from gas explosions or electrocution while digging near utility lines. Striking a single line can cause injury, repair costs, fines and inconvenient outages. Every digging project, no matter how large or small, warrants notification to Miss Utility. Installing a mailbox, building a deck, and planting a tree or garden are all examples of digging projects that should only begin after contacting Miss Utility.

For more information, visit <http://www.missutilitydelmarva.com/>